# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

# 1936 AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PROGRAM INSULAR REGION

#### BULLETIN NO. 1

Pursuant to authority vested in the Secretary of Agriculture under Section 8 of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, payments will be made in connection with the effectuation of the purposes of section 7 (a) of said act for 1936, in accordance with the following provisions and such other provisions as may hereafter be made:

#### PART I. DEFINITIONS

As used herein and in all forms and documents relating to the 1936 Agricultural Conservation Program for the Insular Region the following terms shall have the following meanings:

SECRETARY means the Secretary of Agriculture of the United

States.

INSULAR REGION means the area included in the Territory of

Alaska, the Territory of Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.

INSULAR DIVISION means the division of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration in charge of the 1936 Agricultural Conservation Program for the Insular Region.

Person means any individual, partnership, association, corpora-

tion, or governmental agency.

OPERATOR means a person (whether his relation to the farm be that of owner, cash tenant, share-tenant, or share-cropper) who owns a portion or all of the crops produced on a farm with respect

to which an application for a grant is made.

FARM means all tracts of cropland in either the Territory of Alaska, or the Territory of Hawaii, or Puerto Rico, operated by the same operator(s) in 1936 as a single unit, with work stock, farm machinery, and labor substantially separate from that for any other land.

Plantation Farm means any farm comprising more than 500 acres of cropland not devoted to permanent pasture or to orchards

or trees of any kind.

Cropland means land which is tillable and from which any crop other than wild hay or wood was harvested between January 1, 1930, and January 1, 1936.

#### PART II. APPLICATION AND ELIGIBILITY FOR GRANT

### A. PERSONS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR AND RECEIVE A GRANT

Application for a grant may be made only by an operator of a farm. In case there is more than one operator of the farm, the application must be made by all operators of the farm.

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Payments will be made to: (1) A sole operator; or (2) each operator of a group of two or more operators, provided all operators of the farm signify in the application for grant a per centum of the total payment under the application for grant to be made to each operator; or (3) one operator of a group of two or more operators, provided all operators of the farm designate such operator in the application for grant as sole recipient, for their benefit, of the payment under the application for grant, or (4) a person who is not an operator, provided such person controls the land included within the farm with respect to which the application for grant is made and is designated by the sole operator (or by all the operators) of the farm, as sole recipient, for his (their) benefit, of the payment under the application for grant.

# B. LAND TO BE DESIGNATED IN THE APPLICATION FOR GRANT

There must be designated in the application for grant all land included within a farm and any other land which serves as a water-shed for the supply of water for such farm and on which Practice No. 1 (a) is performed by the operator or operators of the farm.

# C. FILING OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT

Payments will be made only upon applications for grant filed with a representative of the Insular Division (including Agents and other representatives of the Extension Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture) on or before March 31, 1937.

## PART III. GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR PAYMENT

(a) No payment shall be made under this program unless the practices performed are carried out in accordance with the generally accepted standards of good farming methods and by using the kinds and quantities of seeds, trees, and other materials normally employed for such practices.

(b) No payment shall be made under this program except with

respect to practices performed in the calendar year 1936.

(c) No total payment shall be made, with respect to any performance under this program, which is in excess of the product of \$5.00 multiplied by the number of acres of land on which one or more of Practices Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, and 6 is performed.

(d) No payment shall be made under this program with respect to an application for grant pertaining to any plantation farm except on the condition that Practice 7 (a) be performed, and that such part of Practice 7 (b) be performed as is practicable within the calendar year 1936.

(e) No payment shall be made under this program with respect to performance for which the labor, seeds, or materials (except

trees) are furnished by any governmental agency.

### PART IV. AGRICULTURAL CONSERVATION PRACTICES

The following rates and conditions of payment shall be applicable to the performance of the following practices during the calendar year 1936 on land designated in an application for grant under the 1936 Agricultural Conservation Program for the Insular Region:

(a) A payment of \$5.00 per acre of land planted entirely to Forest Trees or Windbreak Trees, either by planting seedling trees, or by hand seeding on a suitably prepared seedbed. (See Farmers' Bulletin No. 1177, Care and Improvement of the Farm Woods, published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.)

(b) A payment of \$2.50 per acre of land planted to a normal number of Coffee Shade Trees, either by planting seedling trees,

or by hand seeding on a suitably prepared seedbed.

#### 2. Terracing

A payment of 40 cents per one hundred linear feet of completed terrace constructed and maintained; the total payment for terracing not to exceed \$2.50 per acre of land so terraced. (See Farmers' Bulletin No. 1669, Farm Terracing, published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.)

#### 3. DITCHING TO PREVENT SOIL WASHING

A payment of 10 cents per one hundred linear feet of permanent ditching constructed and maintained for the diversion of surface water to prevent soil washing, not including any temporary field ditching or any ditching primarily for purposes of irrigation, subsurface drainage or underdrainage, or primarily for any purpose other than the prevention of soil washing. (See Farmers' Bulletin No. 1606, Farm Drainage, published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.)

#### 4. CONTOUR CULTIVATION AND LISTING

(a) A payment for Contour Cultivation of 50 cents per acre of row crops on land of 2% or more slope, which is plowed, planted, and cultivated along contour lines (see Leaflet No. 85, Strip Cropping to Prevent Erosion, published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture).

(b) A payment for Listing of 50 cents per acre of land of 2% or more slope which is properly listed along contour lines for fallowing

or for planting protective, nondepleting cover crops.

## 5. PLANTING PROTECTIVE, NONDEPLETING COVER CROPS

Payments for planting protective, nondepleting cover crops, as follows:

(a) Per acre of such crops Strip Cropped, \$1.00 (see Leaflet No. 85, Strip Cropping to Prevent Erosion, published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture).

(b) Per acre Interplanted, \$1.00 (see Farmers' Bulletin No. 1750, Summer Crops for Green Manure and Soil Improvement, published

by the U.S. Department of Agriculture).

(c) Per acre of such crops planted In Rotation with other crops, or used for Green Manuring, \$2.00 if not irrigated, and \$3.00 if irrigated (see Farmers' Bulletin No. 1475, Soil Productivity as Affected by Crop Rotation, and Farmers' Bulletin No. 1250, Green Manuring, published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture).

(d) Per acre of perennial varieties of such crops planted for Permanent Pasture, \$3.00 if not irrigated, and \$4.00 if irrigated (see Miscellaneous Publication No. 194, A Pasture Handbook, published

by the U.S. Department of Agriculture).

For the purpose of this section the term "protective, nondepleting cover crops" shall be deemed to include: (1) all grasses, provided no grain is harvested therefrom, (2) field peas, cowpeas, pigeon peas, gandule, soybeans, velvet beans, sword beans, crotalaria, provided the vines are not removed from the land, (3) alfalfa, vetch, clovers, lespedeza, kudzu, lupines, and (4) any other crops approved by the Director of the Insular Division.

#### 6. Application of Fertilizers

Payments for the application of fertilizers as follows:

(a) Per ton (2,000 pounds) of Ground Limestone, or its equivalent, \$1.40; per ton (2,000 pounds) of Burned or Hydrated Lime, \$2.15; the total payment for liming not to exceed \$2.80 per acre.

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(b) Per one hundred pounds of Chemical Fertilizer, of which the principal constituents of value are any form or combination of phosphoric acid, nitrogen, or potash, 50 cents; the payment not to exceed \$2.50 per acre; provided, that in order for a plantation farm to quality for this payment the chemical fertilizer applied must be (1) in an amount per acre not less than the minimum standard, and (2) of a composition, approved by the Director of the Insular Division, for the conditions (type of soil, kind of crop, available moisture, and time of application) under which the application is made; and provided further, that no payment shall be made for the application of chemical fertilizer on land on which tobacco is grown at any time during the calendar year 1936.

#### 7. Soil Analysis and Field Experiment

(a) A Soil Map, or maps, showing the principal types of soil included in the crop land on the plantation farm, based on soil analyses (see Circular No. 139, Method and Procedure of Soil Analysis, published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture) sufficient to show the general nature of the textural and chemical composition, at various depths within the zone of root penetration, of each principal soil type; a copy of the map and a report of the analyses to be supplied to the local office of the Insular Division; no payment.

(b) A FIELD EXPERIMENT on each principal type of soil included in the crop land on the plantation farm (but not more than one field experiment for each 500 acres of crop land) in the use of organic matter or chemical fertilizers, the experiment to be properly laid out, controlled, harvested, and reported (to the local office of the Insular Division), with not less than five repetitions of each individual treatment (variable) to be tested, and five repetitions of the standard check, in plots of not less than one-twentieth acre each; no payment.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, W. R. GREGG, Acting Secretary of Agriculture, has hereunto set his hand and caused the official seal of the Department of Agriculture to be affixed in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, this 10th day of July 1936.

W. P. Siegg

Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

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SUPPLEMENT A TO BULLETIN NO. 1

DIVERSION OF TOBACCO ACREAGE TO PROTECTIVE NONDEPLETING COVER CROPS

Pursuant to authority vested in the Secretary of Agriculture under section 8 of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, Insular Region Bulletin No. 1 is hereby supplemented and amended as follows:

Section 1. A payment will be made at the rate of \$20 per acre of land which is included within the base acreage for tobacco for a farm and which is not planted to tobacco during the calendar year 1936 but which is planted to protective nondepleting cover crops described in section 5 (c), Part IV, Bulletin No. 1, Provided, That in no case shall this payment for the diversion of base acreage for tobacco be made on an acreage of land in excess of 30 percent of the base acreage for tobacco for the farm.

SEC. 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 5 (c), Part IV, Bulletin No. 1, no payment shall be made in addition to that specified in section 1 above for planting that portion of the acreage of protective nondepleting cover crops which represents a diversion of not more than 30 percent of the base acreage for tobacco for the farm.

SEC. 3. The Secretary reserves the right not to make the payment specified in section 1 above with respect to any farm of which any operator is also an operator of another farm on which an acreage of tobacco is planted during the calendar year 1936 in excess of the (or absence of a) base acreage for tobacco for such farm.

SEC. 4. The maximum payment with respect to any farm as set forth in paragraph (e), Part III, Bulletin No. 1 is hereby increased to the extent of \$15 per acre of base acreage for tobacco which is diverted to protective nondepleting cover crops and which is not in excess of 30 percent of the base acreage for tobacco for the farm.

Sec. 5. The base acreage for tobacco for a farm shall be equal to the acreage which was, or could have been, established as a base tobacco acreage for the farm under the procedure for the adjustment

program for 1935-36.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, W. R. GREGG, Acting Secretary of Agriculture, has hereunto set his hand and caused the official seal of the Department of Agriculture to be affixed in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, this twentieth day of July 1936.

W. P. Siegg

Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

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Supplement B to Bulletin No. 1

Pursuant to authority vested in the Secretary of Agriculture under Section 8 of the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, Insular Region Bulletin No. 1, as amended by Supplement A, is hereby further amended as follows:

Section 1. The term "operator" in "PART 1. DEFI-NITIONS" is amended to read as follows:

Operator means a person (whether his relation to the farm be that of owner, cash tenant, share-tenant, or share-cropper) who owns a portion or all of the crops growing on a farm on December 31, 1936, with respect to which an application for grant is made, provided that, if no crop is growing on such farm on December 31, 1936, a person who owned a portion or all of the crop last grown on such farm will be regarded as an operator thereof.

Section 2. The term "farm" in "PART 1. DEFINITIONS" is amended to read as follows:

Farm means all tracts of cropland and any other land in either the territory of Alaska, territory of Hawaii or Puerto Rico operated by the same operator(s) in 1936 as a single farming unit with cropping practices, work stock, farm machinery, and labor substantially separate from that for any other such unit.

Section 3. Section 2 of Part IV is amended to read as follows:

#### 2. TERRACING

(a) A payment of 40 cents per one hundred linear feet of completed continuous terrace constructed

and maintained; the total payment for terracing not to exceed \$2.50 per acre of land so terraced. (See Farmers' Bulletin No. 1669, <u>Farm Terracing</u>, published by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.)

(b) A payment of \$1.50 per acre for completed individual terraces around coffee trees; provided, that not less than five hundred of such terraces are completed and maintained per acre of land so terraced.

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IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, R. G. Tugwell, Acting Secretary of Agriculture, has hereunto set his hand and caused the official seal of the Department of Agriculture to be affixed in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, this 16th day of November, 1936.

Acting Secretary